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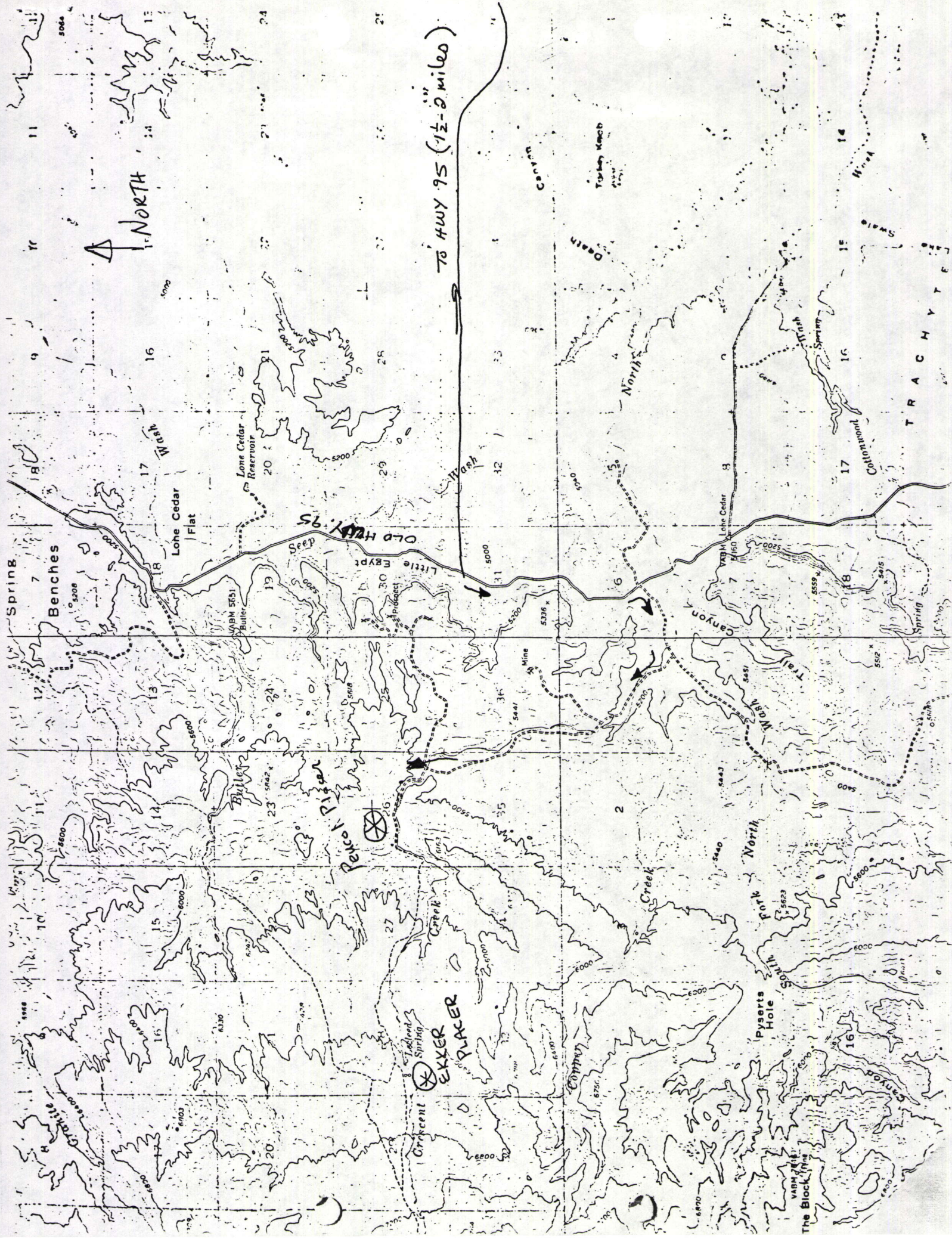
FROM: Frank Filas, Reclamation Engineer 

RE: Site Inspection, DOE/O17/O20 - Ekker Family Placer and Pencol Placer  M/O 17/O20

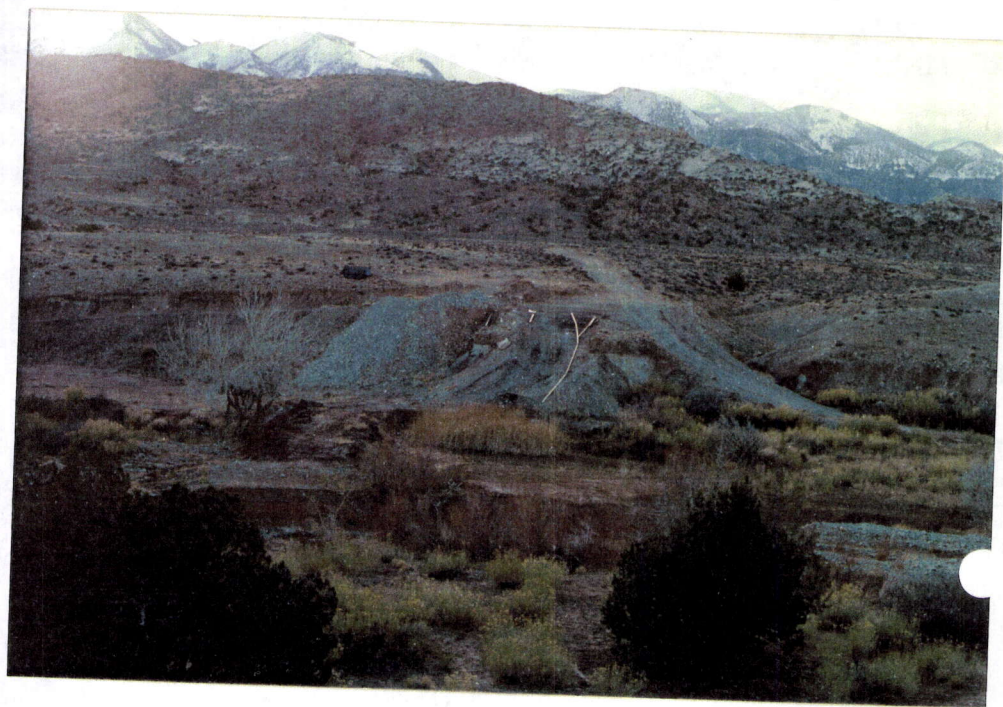
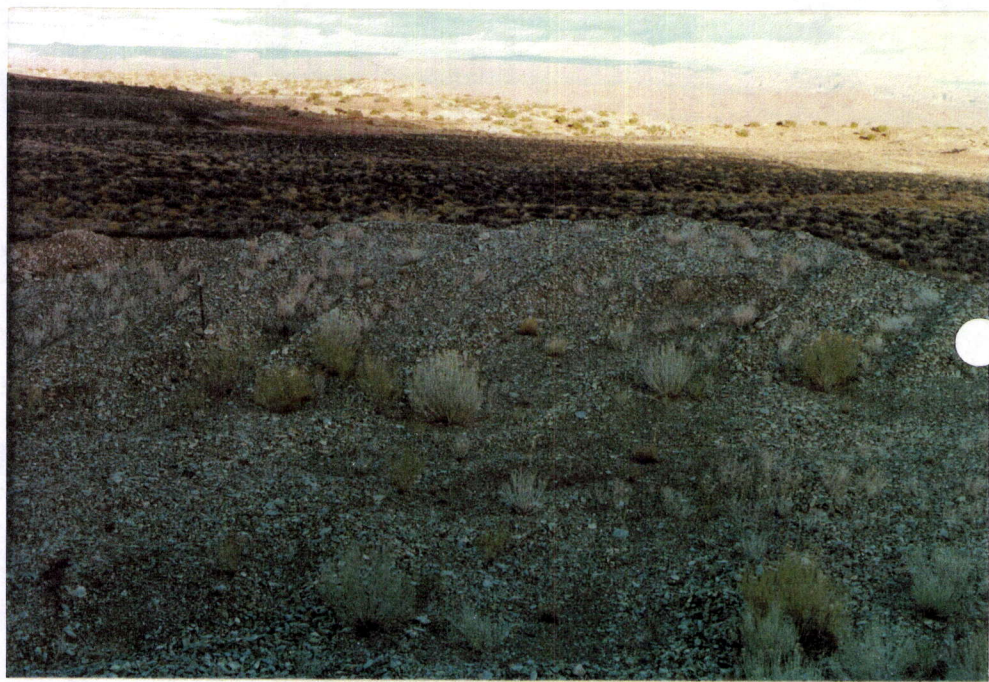
On March 17, 1987, Frank Filas, Frank Jensen, and Dave Wham visited the site of Pencol Mining Company's 1981 placer operation and the Ekker Family placer. The area can be reached by taking Highway 95 south out of Hanksville. Approximately 22 miles south of Hanksville, turn west onto a well maintained gravel road and follow the attached map. The Pencol placer is located on the north side of the road and can be reached by a steeply dipping access road. There are a number of small gravel piles and trenches at the base of a hill, and a large dried-up pond at the top of the hill. No obvious hazards existed on site, and total disturbance is estimated to be four acres. There were no assessment notices posted nor evidence of any recent assessment work.

The Ekker Family placer is located just to the west of the Pencol placer and on the south side of the road. It consists entirely of a large five acre gravel pile. There are two overturned bins on the top of the pile. It appears that the greater portion of the gravel pile has not been touched for many years. There is evidence of a small amount of more recent trenching, but this area is less than one acre in size. The assessment notices were in the name of Ted Ekker. No obvious environmental or safety hazards were noted on site.

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PENCIL PLACER 3-17-87
LOOKING FROM POND AREA BACK
AT ACCESS ROAD AND GRAVEL PILES

PENCIL PLACER 3-17-87
EVIDENCE OF REGRADING

Pencil Placer 3-17-87
DRIED UP POND